
Application instructions for the 2013 Greater Shelburne Falls Area Business Association Scholarship

This scholarship award is intended to support a graduating senior with a strong interest in pursuing a career in business. The student will have demonstrated an interest in business and an entrepreneurial spirit. The student may have already begun his/her own business and seeks to continue his/her education through an accredited continuing education course or a college or university.

1. Eligibility criteria:

- Is a resident of one of the ten towns served by the Greater Shelburne Falls Area Business Association: Ashfield, Buckland, Charlemont, Conway, Colrain, Hawley, Heath, Plainfield, Rowe, and Shelburne.
- Is a graduating senior.
- Has maintained a good academic standing throughout high school.
- Is planning to continue education after graduation through continuing education or college.

2. Performance criteria:

- Is able to demonstrate an interest in business through past employment in the business community during summer vacation or after school or through starting a business.
- Is able to demonstrate an interest in community service through participation in community activities.
- Demonstrates good communication skills through the presentation of information on the application.
- Is able to demonstrate conduct appropriate to good citizenship.

3. Application requirements:

- The application must be typewritten and neatly presented. To download an electronic copy of the application, please go to: www.sfaba.org, or request a copy by email at info@shelburnefalls.com.
- The application must include three letters of recommendation; one job, one community service, and one school reference. Persons writing letters of recommendation must clearly identify which area of recommendation they represent. *Additional recommendations from outside the academic community are encouraged.*
- The application must include a typewritten narrative as described on the application form.
- The application must include a high school transcript.
- The application must be submitted to the school guidance office by April 5, 2013.



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4. Process for selection and award of the scholarship:

- The guidance counselor will review the application for accuracy and forward the application to the Executive Director of Greater Shelburne Falls Area Business Association.
- The Greater Shelburne Falls Area Business Association will review the applications, choose a recipient who meets the criteria of the scholarship and communicate the results to the guidance counselor.
- The Executive Director of Greater Shelburne Falls Area Business Association will inform the guidance office of the decision. The guidance office will inform the recipient. A certificate will be awarded at graduation.
- Upon receipt of a transcript documenting successfully completing the first semester of college or a certificate of completion of continuing education courses, the \$500 will be provided to the scholarship recipient.

The SFABA may change the dollar amount offered, or if no applicant meets the criteria, choose not to award the scholarship.



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**2013 GREATER SHELburne FALLS AREA BUSINESS ASSOCIATION
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Name of Applicant: _____ **Telephone:** _____

Address: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) name(s) and occupations:

College(s) applied to: _____

College(s) accepted to: _____

List and describe any job or work related experience: _____

List and describe any community service related experience: _____

Please provide on a separate sheet a brief narrative on what you feel are your best qualifications for this scholarship, taking into consideration the selection criteria described on the application instructions as well as your future entrepreneurial aspirations.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____